He Seemed a Simple Minded, Good Hearted Fellow, Who Liked Boys-But Sammy's Folks Wouldn't Let Them Be Friends Any Longer, and Now Police Hunt Both

Out of old Greenwich village, yesterday, came a strange tale of kidnapping. Tenyear-old Sanuel Scher had disappeared from his hone at 5 Jones street. And Jean Michel, who was very fond of Samuel, and lived in the flat across the hall from the Schers, had gone, too. Both were last seen in the neighborhood on Saturday afternoon. Each had a large paper bundle under his arm, and they disappeared one after the other around the same corner into Bleecker street.

Morris Scher, the boy's father, went to the Charles street police station vesterday afternoon and made a charge of kidnapping against Michel. Then the police telephon wires began to burn and by evening every policeman in the city was looking for decently dressed, proper appearing French workman and a chabby boy of 10.

Michel, the villain of the Greenwich villare stories, was first heard of in the Jones street neighborhood last May. Howard Williams, the young son of the janitor of 169 West Fourth street, was then convalescing from diphtheria. He was grinding the peanut roaster for the standkeeper at the corner, expecting to get a handful of peanuts in return, when a stranger gave him

"Here, little fellow," said the stranger, you look as though you'd been pretty sick. Go buy some candy or something

The next day the man met Howard again and gave him some candy and fruit. This time the boy told his father about the gifts.

"The next time that man speaks to you. said Janitor Williams, "you bring him to me. I want to see that man." The next night, somewhat to his father's

surprise, young Howard returned with "Here he is, dad," said the youngster,
"and he bought me some more candy to-

and he bought me some more candy today."

He had in tow a middle aged Frenchman, poorly but cleanly dressed, who
introduced himself as Jean Michel. He
said he had noticed that the boy had been
sick, and as he was fond of boys he wanted
to bring a little cheer into the lad's life.

He stayed about half an hour and impressed Janitor Williams favorably. As
he was leaving he said that he was far
away from his own country and had no
friends here, so he hoped Mr. Williams
would allow him to make a friend of his
son. He asked if he could not come the
next day and take the boy for a walk in
Central Park, where the fresh air would
do him good. Mrs. Williama promptly
objected.

objected. What! Do you think I'm a kidnapoer?" asked Michel.

Mrs. Williams said that she had no such suspicion, but a walk in the Fourth street park was finally agreed upon as a com-

After three or four visits Michel suggested to Williams that the janitor rent him a hall bedroom then vacant. He said he was out of work, but would pay as soon as he made any money. The Williamses looked upon him as a peor lonely stranger and took him in. Mr. Williams a few weeks later got him a job as watchman on a build. later got him a job as watchman on a building being erected around the corner in Fourth street. Michel, when he drew his wages, paid his board bill and spent what money he had left for candy and toys for

money he had left for candy and toys for the Williams children.
Gradually he began to extend his benev-olence to other boys in the neighborhood. He invited them to his room, played checkers and dominoes with them, and gave them lessons in French. He always had a troop of them around at the new building, where he whittled out swords and spears and let the boys engage in mock battles.

During his stay with the Williamses he

eceived two remittances from France. He said they came from his adopted mother.
With one of these remittances he bought a
bicycle for the Williams boy.
Michel's fondness for having young boys

Michel's fondness for naving young boys in his room arous at Mr. Williams's suspicions again. On five or six nights, so he says now, he climbed up the fire escape and watched through the window to see what Michel was doing with the youngsters. He always found them playing games or listening to a ores.

In the early summer the Frenchman became ill and went away to have an operation performed. He said he never expected to return alive, and he left an envelope on his bureau addressed to Mr. Williams. Inside on a sheet of brown paper was this

Mr. Williams, I p. ay you, in dying, to do for me what I will tell you over this note, iroward Williams has order from me to post at my death a letter in his possession. To the receipt of this letter, or may be after a little time, the lady whose husband did adopt me for his son will send you the sum of \$30.

I want you in dying to accept for yourself \$70 as a token offered by a poor man to your generosity for him.

The rest of the sum, I mean \$10, will be divided by you between Alfred and Howard, the only two children who at my last moment did show me some affection -\$3 to each. Yours respectfully,

JOANI MICHEL, an unfortunate.

Michel came back. But the troops of boys who continually run up and down the stairs were too much for Mrs. Williams and she told him he would have to move. He moved to 19 Jones street. There he hired a room to sleep in and another which

hired a room to sleep in and another which he used as a meeting room for the boys. He organized a boys' club and about twenty or thirty boys in the neighborhood became members. He taught them gymnastics and had a sort of drill.

He was going to fit them all out in Rough Rider uniforms. He bought four of them on one pay day. But most of his money was spent for candy, fruit and toys. Frequently he would take a lot of the children to Central Park or up to the woods in The Bronx, where they would pick wild flowers. If any of the boys had cuts or bruises, If any of the boys had cuts or bruises, Michel had a salve of his own making which he applied. The boys said it healed their wounds quickly. John De Ferria, who keeps a small grocery at 181 West Fourth street, has a son who is afflicted with a shivelled foot. Michel used to spend hours rubbing and kneading this limb,

trying to make it healthy.

Everybody, in fact. agreed that Michel was an honest, simple minded, sentimental was an honest, simple minded, sentimental Frenchman, who had so much of the boy left in him that he cared only for the company o boys. When the people with whom he was boarding moved he got a room from Mrs. Goodman, the janitress of 5 Jones street. Soon after moving in Michel painted the walls of his room with crude representations of Catholic emblems. Just above the head of the bed he painted: "Suffer little children to come unto me."

Beside the bed he printed: "Happy are those who are pure of heart, because they shall see God."

those who are pure of heart, because they shall see God."

Mrs. Goodman is a good Catholic. She approved of Michel's devotion, but she wouldn't let him use the room as a beys' mee.ing place. So he hired a room from a Mrs. Herin, who lives on the third floor, just across the hall from the Schers. The Schers have one daughter and four sons

Schers have one daughter and four sons. Samuel is the eldest boy.

A reat friendship sprang up between Mithel and Sa nuel. The Frenchman gave up his boys' (1:b and all its members, and dev ted himself entirely to Sammy. He si ent all his money on the boy and took him on 1 ng trips about town. He used to take the boy to the Downing street school in the morning, and call for him in the afternoon.

Whenever one was seen, there also would Whenever one was seen, there also would you see the other. They always went about hand in hand.

A few weeks ago, the Schurs, who are devout Hebrews, heard that Michel, who devout Hebrews, heard that Michel, who is a Catholic fanatic, was taking Sammy to Catholic services and leading him away from the faith of his fathers. Schur immediately told Michel that he must have nothing more to say to the boy. He also warned his son to keep away from Michel. The next day Michel told Mrs. Herin that he would kill himself before he would be separated from Isammy.

be separated from Sammy.
On Saturday afternoon Michel was seen

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by one of the neighbors, waiting in the street, with a large bundle under his arm. A few minutes later Sammy was seen going around the corner, and he too had a bundle, whicher tellered him. Michel followed him. Now the police

140 Fifth Avenue

are looking for both.

In Michel's room was found a book containing what Michel had previously described as his autobiography. It describes his own abduction at the age of seven by a young lady, who put him in a carriage and took him on a steamer (under chloroform) to Africa, where he was sold to an Arab, who had other young slaves. "There," who had other young slaves. "There, he says, "I was taught to commit crime of which to-day I would be ashamed to speak. To escape the torture through which I passed I would have killed myself, had I not believed in God."

He was sent to Timbuctoo to be sold in the slave market, he says, but was bought there by a missionary and taken to Algiers, where he got his freedom. Some of the neighbors believe that Michel

was afraid Sammy would be taken away from him and that when his next remittance came from France, he bought passages for that country, and that he i now on the way there.
This was confirmed to some extent by a

This was confirmed to some extent by a story told by a Mrs. Guegan of 25 Hancock street. Michel used to visit her children. About a month ago, she says, when he made his last visit, he told her he had had Sammy baptized in the Catholic faith, and that some day when he received one of his remittances from France he would return, and if Sammy wanted to go would take m along.
The Schurs say that Michel received a

etter from France recently. KIOWA GOES TO PIECES?

Cargo of the Wreeked Clyde Liner Found

on Nantasket Beach and Cape Cod. Boston, Jan. 3 .- The sunken Clyde Line steamer Kiowa, at the mouth of Boston Harbor, got a hard pounding last night in the gale, and as a result parts of her cargo litter Nantasket Beach and Cape Cod. It is believed that she has gone to

ABANDONED FARMS GOING.

Gov. Bachelder of New Hampshire Says Summer Residents Are Buying Them. CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 3.-Gov. Bachelder nas issued an address on New Hampshire's abandoned farms, in which he says:

"An encouraging feature of New Hampshire life at the opening of the new year s the extent to which the State's abandoned farms have been adopted by prosperous and well pleased foster parents. The first statistics collected by the Commissioner show 1,343 abandoned farms within the State. The proportion of unoccupied farm land within the State grows less with each vear that passes.

"By far the larger number, however, of the purchasers of New Hampshire's abandoned farms have been summer resilents, vacation visitors, permanently domi cile or from two to eight months of the year among our hills. A canvass of such esidents, now being made by the Board of Agriculture, and not completed at the time of writing, has given thus far the names of 2,100 owners of summer homes in our State, most of the said homes having been created from what were once abandoned farms.

"It is estimated that these 2,500 adopted sons of the State, by the neelves, their far ilies, their guests and their employees, add to the population of New Hampshire and the state of the population of New Hampshire and the state of the population of New Hampshire and the state of the state holdings of real estate represent a permanent investment of \$5,000,000, and their annual expenditures for all purposes within the State are at least half as much.

FIRE ENGINES STUCK IN SNOW. Hard Work Pulling the Apparatus Through the Clogged Streets.

Firemen throughout the city had lots of trouble in answering alarms of fire yeserday. About twenty alarms were turned in between 2 o'clock in the morning and noon, and the heavy snowfall made the task of getting the apparatus through the streets quite difficult.

Many of the fires were of no consequence being caused by tenants endeavoring to out frozen water pipes. Pasquale Messinillo, a driver of a Street Cleaning Department snow wagon, backed his wagon against the sidewalk at Houston and Mangin streets and in so doing knocked over

lamppost, on which was a fire alarm box. The upsetting of the post caused an alarm to be registered from the box and soon four engines, two hook and ladder trucks and a battallon chief came rushing through the snow. Fortunately for Messinillo, he didn't snow. Fortunately for Messimilo, he didn't understand the harsh things the firemen

said about him.
About 5 o'clock in the afternoon an alarm was turned in for a fire in a frame dwelling at Washington avenue and Westchester Furnpike, in The Bronx. The nearest engine is stationed about two miles away the downtown firemen, on hearing the alarm, expressed their gratitude at not being assigned to duty in The Bronx.

When Engine 32 went to the fire at Leonard street and Broadway last night its place in the Beekman street house was taken by Engine 18, the heaviest engine in the city. Shortly after 10 o'clock the engine and tender went out on a false alarm. On the way back the driver of the engine tried the way back the driver of the engine tried to take a short cut through Mail street and the wheels of the engine stuck fast in and the wheels of the engine study has in the snow. The crew got out and pushed and the driver whipped up his horses, but the engine would not budge. The drivers of the mail wagons offered lots of good advice, but refused to hitch on any of their Finally an extra horse was brough from the engine house and helped pull the machine out.

SAYS LANDLORD SET FIRE. renant in Block Where There Are Three Fires Accuses Proprietor.

The firemen of Engine Company 40 went to a fire in the basement of a tenement t 216 West Sixty-second street about 4 clock yesterday morning. They were about to return when a fire started in the basement of the tenement at 234. In the afternoon there was a fire in the cellar of

the tenement across the street, 235.
Shortly after the fire at 235 one of the tenants there, James H. Bell, had the landlord, Lazarus Hannes of 43 Suffolk street, arrested on a charge of arson. Bell said that he met the landlord running out of the cellar as the fire started. According to Rell Hannes denied that there was any fire in the cellar. All of the tenements the fires occurred are occupied by negroes Hannes was locked up in the West Sixty-eighth street station and will be arraigned in the West Side court this morn-

Assistant Fire Marshal H. W. de Malignon, who inspected all the fires, said that in one or two cases fire had been caused by ten-ants trying to thaw out frozen pipes.

Swift Beef Plant in Portland, Me., Burned. PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 3.-The plant and stock of the Portland Beef Company, owned by the Swifts, was destroyed by fire to-day. The fire was caused by a defective flue.

MORE FIRE VICTIMS BURIED.

ABOUT 200 TAKEN TO THEIR GRAVES IN CHICAGO.

Fire Panie in a Church Where the Funeral of a Schoolteacher Victim Was Being Held-Woman Stopped in a Rush by an Engineer-Coroner's Inquiry Secret.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3 .- This was another day of funerals for Chicago. Fully 200 victims of the Iroquois fire were buried to-day. As was the case yesterday there were not enough hearses in town for the funerals and many undertakers' wagons were used. Nearly all the ministers in the city preached on the fire to-day.

There were similar scenes of sadness to those of yesterday at the funerals. It was bitter cold, the thermometer hovering near zero, and no more desolate funerals were ever held in this city than those of the fire victims to-day.

FIRE PANIC AT A FUNERAL.

There was a smell of smoke and a cry of fire at the funeral of Carrie Sayres. About five hundred women fought to escape in the steep winding stairway of the Seventy seventh Street Congregational Church i just such a panic as cost the life of the dead chool teacher.

On the verge of the headlong rush, which would have resulted in injury and death, they were stopped by the engineer of the school where Miss Sayres was a teacher. The fire was in the home of H. Dahl, balf a block away.

The Rev. Jesse Holmes was holding the furneal services for Miss Sayres. Women and children, with a few men, had packed the auditorium on the second floor of the ittle church. Presently there was a taint of smoke in

the air. Thinking of the catastrophe which had claimed the victims before them the audience of women was in the right mood for a panic. Then came more smoke, the clanging of fire gongs and the rattling of apparatus as the firemen hitched to a hydrant near the church.

"Fire!" shouted a woman near the front. Instantly the entire audience arose and turned to the main door, which opened upon the winding staircase. The women struggled to get out. At the door was a iam for a moment. The engineer stopped hem. Most of the women, however, left he church without waiting for the conclusion of the communion. No one was injured seriously.

SECRET INQUIRY BY CORONER'S JURY. Secrecy will mark the resumption by the Coroner's jury to-morrow of its investigation into the fire. Practically all of the day will be spent inside the ill-fated theatre Only one person at a time, aside from Coroner Eranger and the members of the jury, will be allowed to be present. This one person will be a witness whose testimony s sought regarding conditions in the theatre both before and during the fire.

The jury will begin the day by viewing the body of Le Roy Reinhold, 4 years old, who died at St. Luke's Hospital this morning from injuries received in the fire. Thence the jury will go to the theatre to esume its work. An exhaustive examinaion of structure will be made. The jury will be supplied with copies of

the building ordinance, and the construction of the building will be explained by experts. Coroner Traeger has explained the reasons for desiring to work alone on the building. "The jurors have asked me to make the

rrangements. One person will explain different points to them at a time and they do not wish any one to hear what questions are asked of the witnesses. They believe that if publicity is given to all questions it might interfere with the best results."

A thorough revision of the ordinances providing for the construction and equip-ment of theatres will be proposed at the City Council to-morrow night. Haif a

nd will be

sented by the Mayor and Aldermen.
Alderman Jones will propose the appointment of a committee of Aldermen, experienced as builders and contractors, to examine all the theatres in Chicago and report defects in construction and insufficient exists and fire protection facilities. The committee will probably consist of Aldermen Jones, Mayor, Friestedt, O'Connell and Ehemann. sented by the Mayor and Aldermen and Ehemann.

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and Ehemann.

They may be asked to cooperate with Mayor Harrison's commission of architects and prepare an entirely new building ordinance in reference to theatres and other auditoriums.

MAY OPEN THEATRES SOON. The managers of the theatres that have been closed by Mayor Harrison will ask for some sort of speedy relief. Some of the theatres have been closed by reason of violations admitted to be unimportant, but which the Mayor declined to be responsi-

He suggested to-day that amendments to the building ordinance might be adopted removing some of the provisions of the rdinance such as automatic sprinklers. so that the theatres may be opened and continue to do business until the ordinance an be remodelled by the Council. SERMONS IN THE CHURCHES.

Bishop Samuel Fallows, in his sermon at St. Paul's Reformed Episcopal Church,

"It has been reserved for a notorious religious charlatan among us to aver that is was a judgment of the Almighty upon hose dear loved ones from so many n a theatre.

ch a man is a disgrace to his kind cn ! to religion itself. I say this, although I am not an advocate of the modern stage. "A few years ago, in a crowded church in a city of South America, nearly a thou-sand lives were lost by fire on a Christmas

Sand lives were lost by hire of a chistmas Day. Was that the judgment of an angry God upon his worshippers? It is not for me to sit in judgment on any one at this hour. The legally ap-pointed investigators will render their erdict at the proper time and I am sure will be in accord with the strictest jus-

"Shall we criminally forget that past?
Shall we relax our vigilance, and through negligence or greed or bribery permit death-traps to remain or be erected in apartment. ildings, factories or hotels? Heaven

Sermons on the distster were preached at many other churches.

ACTORS IN DISTRESS.

Hundreds of actors and theatre employees re stranded, with no chance for relief though a benefit performance, owing to the shutdown of all theatres. Under the Mayor's ruling it will be impossible to do anything in that line. The actors, who have been playing in town or who have just arrived to play this week. They cannot play until the ban has been lifted. The financial loss is not being felt by the actors of leading companies, as all have contracts with the managers or backers, who will hear the loss.

ers, who will bear the loss.

The chorus people and nearly all the members of the "Mr. Bluebeard" company.

These who will bear the loss. left for New York this afternoon. Those who did not go were detained by the police s witnesses

MORE BODIES IDENTIFIED Four of the ten bodies held at the County Morgue to be claimed by friends were identified to-day. That of Mary A. Fair, 55 years old, 7564 Bond avenue, a neigh-bor of Miss Carrie Sayre, the school teacher, who was a victim of the flames, was found at the morgue by her brother, at the time that the funeral services over body of the younger woman were

William D. Reynolds, 1286 East Ravens-wood Park, identified the body of his seven-year-old daughter, Emma, after a search

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FLOWER FAMINE IN TOWN. There is a flower famine in town. Friends and relatives of the victims of the Iroquois Theatre disaster were in sore distress to-day because they were unable to buy flowers for the caskets and graves of their dead. The famine did not assume serious pro-portions until late on Saturday afternoon. To-day it was almost impossible to get any flowers at all. Roses could not be bought for less than \$6 a dozen. Carnations were \$1.50 a dozen where usually they may be purchased for 30 cents or 50 cents at the highest. Violets were from \$4 to \$5 a hundred. Many of the downtown retail florists were compelled to close their shops before

MISTAKES IN IDENTIFICATION. MISTAKES IN IDENTIFICATION.

Mistakes in claiming bodies for burial are now believed to be responsible for the delay which many griefstricken relatives have experienced in finding their dead.

While preparing for the funeral of her sixteen-year-old daughter, Eloise Swayze, Mrs. Bennett discovered that the body was not that of her daughter. G. W. Rodgers, a friend of the family, had identified the body at Jordan's as that of Miss Swayze. The features were so charred Swayze. The features were so charred as to be unrecognizable, and the clothing

erved as a clue.
"I do not believe that is Elolse;" said Mrs. "I do not believe that is Elolee;" said Mrs. Bennett, as she gazzed at the form. "It seems too large." Mr. Rogers then made a further search which resulted in the finding of the right body at Roberts's morgue.
"I believe that is what kept me from finding my sister's body before this," said Dr. L. A. Maddox. of Montpelier, Ind. He had just completed the identification of Mrs. Frances A. Leach, when the body supposed to have been that of the Swayze girl was returned to the county morgue. girl was returned to the county morgue. Then he heard the story of the mistake in

Nellie Skarupa, a young married woman of The Bronx, New York, was identified at the county morgue yesterday by her brother, Henry Eads, whom she had been visiting.

MANAGERS TOO DAZED TO TALK. "Wo still are so dazed by the calamity at the Iroquois Theatre," said William J. Davis, manager of the playhouse, to-day, "that neither Mr. Powers nor I is in a position to make any statement. We do not know where we stand and what the purport and result of the judicial proceedings against us may be."

against us may be."

"The public has not yet recovered from the shock of that terrible calamity," said Harry J. Powers, "and still is unable to Harry J. Powers, "and still is unable to look upon things without prejudice, which interferes with clear judgment. After a while the people will become cooler and more capable of reasoning quietly, and then a great deal of the antagonistic feeling against the owners and the management of the Iroquois Theatre will die down." STRIKING LIVERY DRIVERS ASHAMED.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Petitions are being irculated by individual members of the Livery Drivers' Union protesting against esumption of the strike after the expiration of the ten days' "truce," proclaimed by Albert Young, organizer of the teamsters' national organization.

The rank and file of the drivers, it is

asserted, appreciate the fact that they were defeated in their strike and that public sentiment has been turned a union on account of its neglect of the dead in the Iroquois fire. The drivers who are circulating the petitions say they do not want to hear any more of the strike. The men who were most active during the trouble have failed to get employment and all the association barns are being operated on an "open shop" basis. FUNERALS OUT OF TOWN.

BUBLINGTON, Ia. Jan. 3.—Burlington has its share of mourning for the Chicago theatre tragedy to-day, burying three of the dead in Aspen Grove Cemetery. They were Harry Danner, his sister, Mrs. Pearl Wunderlich, and his granddaughter, Helen Wunderlich. The services at Christ Episcopal Church were largely attended. Mr. Danner was a brother-in-law of City Treasurer John H. Pettibone.

WAUKEGAN. III. Jan. 3.—All Waukegan

were John H. Pettibone.
WAUKEGAN, Ill., Jan. 3.—All Waukegan mourned this afternoon when services were held over three who met death in the Iroquois Theatre fire. One of the funerals was a double one at Christ Church, where of the Republic over Col. William M. Reid, followed by the Episcopal service for the Colonel and his wife. The other funeral was that of Mrs. Belle Adams Pinney. Mr. Reid was Colonel of the 146th Illinois Volunteers in the civil was read in the unteers in the civil war and was in the fights.

MAN FIGHTS WITH TWO EAGLES. California Sheepman Kills One, but Badly Wounded.

UKIAH, Cal., Jan. 3 .- Charles Read, heepman,of Redwood Valley, is now under

sheepman, of Redwood Valley, is now under a doctor's care as a result of a single-handed fight with two large bald eagles. Read had missed sheep and lambs from his pasture and sot traps for coyotes.

Yesterday he discovered a large bald eagle in one trap. The eagle appeared exhausted by its struggles and was lying down. Read released the spring and instantly the eagle attacked him. Its mate, who was watching near, joined in the fight. With their heavy wings they beat him to the ground, tearing his flesh with their talons and beaks.

Read secured his pistol, and while pro teed secured his pistol, and while pro-tecting his face he managed to get the barrel of the pistol against one of the birds and fired. The other was frightened away by the report. The wounded one set its talons in his right thigh and held on with a

death grip.

When Read recovered from his exhaus tion he was unable to remove them. He dragged himself to his cabin and was brought to this city, where the talons were cut out. The eagle measured 9 feet from

The storm centre, which moved northeastware of the coast on Saturday night, was followed by a severe cold wave, which sent the temperature to so degrees below zero in the Northwest and upper Lake sections and forced the line of zero veather into the northern part of the Gulf States with reezing temperatures to the Gulf coast, while the cold was ranging from 10 to 15 degrees below zero in northern New York and New England, and within a few degrees of zero in southern New York and

In this city the day opened bright and clear, but extremely cold; the wind had subsided and shifted to the northwest and was light to fresh; average humidity, 51 per cent.; baremeter, corrected to read humidity, 51 per cent.; harometer, correcte to sea level, at 8 A. M., 30:00; 3 P. M., 30:00 The temperature yesterday, as recorded by th

1904. 1903. 1904. 1908 VASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAT AND TO-MORROV For eastern New York, eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, the District of Columbia and Maryland, fair to-day and to-morrow; not to cold to-morrow; fresh west winds, diminishing.

For New England, fair and continuel cold to-day; fair and not so cold to-morrow: fresh west winds.

of three days.

The only remaining body of a girl, that of Dorothy Lemenager, was identified late of to-morrow; Iresh west winds.

last night by the father, W. V. Lemenager, AHLMANN'S FATHER WILL PAY

SON CAUSED DEFICIT IN STATEN ISLAND BANK.

Consul-General Bunz Has Received Cablegram to That Effect-F. O. Townsend Saved \$70,000 to Depositors-Funeral of the Suicide.

The funeral of Otto Ahlmann, cashier and lmost sole owner of the Bank of Staten Island, who committed suicide on Thurs day after the State bank examiners began the usual audit and after whose death the bank closed its doors, took place vesterday in the Moravian chapel at New Dorp.

After the funeral Consul General Carl Bunz announced that he had received telegram from Mr. Ahlmann's father in Kiel, Germany, stating that he would make good any deficit which might be found in Mr. Ahlmann's accounts with his bank. Mr. Ahlmann's father is said to be a millionaire.

The body was taken to Staten Island by one of Merritt's wagons, and at the chapel was met by the honorary pallbearers, C. G. Kolf, G. A. E. Irving, Dr. John Vanderpool, N. S. Walker, Jr., President George Cromwell of the Borough of Richmond and Consul-General Carl Bunz. The Rev. Arthur H. Allen of Manhattan

and the Rev. William H. Overton of the chapel officiated. The body was placed in a vault to await the instructions of the family Those who were fortunate enough to be in a certain deal are rejoicing and those

who were unfortunate enough to be left out are angry over the saving of something like \$70,000 of the deposits of the Bank of Staten Island from going into the hands of a possible receiver. Ferdinand C. Townsend, president of the First National Bank of Stapleton, is

of the depositors whom he knew and could locate quickly enough. The news came to Mr. Townsend late on Thursday night that the balance to the credit of the Bank of Staten Island at the Clearing House was something like \$80,000. As the Bank of Staten Island had not been

credited with saving the money to those

declared insolvent there was still time to He notified the Edgewater Building and Loan Association, which had \$22,000 in the Bank of Staten Island, and the officers of that institution drew a check for the round

figures, leaving them a small balance. Municipal Justice George W. Strake and others were told, and checks to the amount of about \$70,000 were drawn. These were deposited with the Stapleton National Bank for collection, were rushed to the Clearing House and before the close of that institution vesterday clerks were on thei way to Staten Island with almost the full

It rests now in Mr. Townsend's bank to the credit of the fortunate ones. Judge Strake was greatly rejoiced over his success, for he was the last man to deposit before Examiner Judson closed the bank. He had received his monthly pay check, and had just deposited it and turned away, when the next man behind him was told

that the bank was closed.

It is said the closing of the Bank of Stater Island will seriously hamper a number of business men if the issuance of certificates by a receiver or the reopening of the bank for business be long delayed. Many of the business men of Stapleton have all their ready cash tied up in the bank at the time of the year when they ordinarily close out. of the year when they ordinarily close out their accounts and make settlements.

X-SCIENCE FOR THE INSANE. of Mrs. Nelson Morris's Relative

Say She Is to Be Treated. WATERBURY, Conn., Jan. 3.-Because Mrs. Evelyn Morris, aged 68, the widow of Nelson Morris, a butcher, is to be returned from the Middletown Insane Asylum some of the relatives say that she is to be a subject for Christian Science treatment. They declare that she would be better off

Several days ago the Court of Probate appointed Arthur P. Cowles conservator of Mrs. Morris, and by advice of interested friends he decided to build a room in her house for her own use, so that she could have greater liberty and not be liable to do herself bodily injury. Her niece, Miss Edna Todd, of Cheshire, is a Christian Scientist, and her visits to the Morris home on Prospect street probably give rise to

A nurse is to have charge of Mrs. Morris and those who represent the conservator say there is no truth in the Christian Science story, further than that she is to be treated with kindness and tenderness and to have the companionship of those whom she knew in her early days, in the hope that her rea-

son may be re-tored.

Mrs. Morris's brother, Franklin Todd
went to live in the Morris house to look after his sister and her large real estate interests. After she was removed to the asylum he died and left the affairs of the Morris estate tangled and nearly \$8,000 missing. By the will of Mrs. Morris, made a long time ago, nearly \$100,000 will be divided at her death among several of her relatives, some of whom are well known Christian Scientists.

ITHACA POISON MYSTERY.

The Woman Who Sent the Poisoned Candy Is Believed to Have Been After Revenge. ITHACA, N. Y., Jan. 3 .- The Ithaca police are now convinced that the woman who sent the box of poisoned candy to the home of Michael Casey, nearly causing the death

of Michael Casey, hearly causing the death of his children, was after revenge.

The fact is recalled that Mr. Casey's handsome residence was practically destroyed by fire a few months ago, and that no one was ever able to explain the origin of the flames. It is now believed that the building was

set afire, possibly by the same person who sent the box of poisoned candy.

The condition of Albert, the little boy who was suffering most from the poison, has improved during the past few hours and there is now a fair chance of his re-Chief Conley is still hopeful that he will solve the mystery. Mr. Casey is also work-ing hard on the case, and to-morrow will

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HOMESTEAD STRIKE THREAT.

CARNEGIE MEN REFUSE THE WAGE REDUCTIONS.

Give the Management Five Days to Accept a Compromise—They Declare the Cut in Wages to Be Unwarranted-They Are Prepared for a Long Struggle

PITTSBURG, Jan. 3 .- The Carnegie Steel Company is facing a strike. The wage reductions made on Jan. 1 have been too much for the tonnage men. The employees of the Homestead plant have given Supt. A. R. Hunt five days in which to revise the schedule. If he fails to comply the men say they will quit. The crews of the 40inch mill have already quit work.

The cut in wages has been greater than the company announced at first. The rollers and heaters in the big mills have suffered the most. They are the most skilled in the plant. They have been get ting \$2.72 a ton and were reduced to \$1.74. The crews of the various mills have made out schedules of wages which they have given to Mr. Hunt and which they are willing to work under. The rollers and heater

will accept a cut to \$2 a ton.
Supt. Hunt did not give the committees any encouragement. The workmen are not organized. They are well provided for, however, and are prepared for a long strike because for the last four years they have been working steadily. The men arc of a different grade from those employed in the Homestead plant during the strike of 1892. Many of the present workmen own their own homes, and most of them own stock in the United

States Steel Corporation.

They have also invested their money in property, and the Homestead banks not be will be the mills or her benefits. The action of the men has puzzled the Carnegle company officers. It was not suspected. The scale was not posted until Dec. 31, 1903.

The dissension has spread to other plants

of the Carnegie Steel Company. The work men in Braddock, Duquesne, McKeesport and other towns are discussing the reduc The men believe that the big cut is uncalled for, and are willing to accepted a graded cut of from 10 to 15 per cent., but in

ome cases the reductions have been a large as 50 per cent.

The trouble is likely to spread to the The trouble is likely to spread to the Chicago plants, where the men have been asked to accept the Homestead scale.

The Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Sheet Workers is interested in the outcome of the controversy. If the non-union men accept the reduction, all the Amalgamated men will be forced to accept similar reductions in the next wage consistency.

perience they have never seen such big cuts They are much greater than those made in Owing to the reduction in wages of the

similar reductions in the next wage con-

Carnegie Coal Company employees the land-lords in Homestead, Braddock and Duquesne, who have been receiving high rentals for their houses, have reduced rents voluntarily from 10 to 15 per cent.

This will force the smaller landholders to make similar reductions. Ordinary four and five room houses along the Monongahela Valley, without any improvements, have been renting at from \$25 to \$27 a month.

AMALGAMATED MEN GO OUT. Two Strikes Ordered in the Pittsburg

Region-About 1,000 Men Involved. Pritsburg, Pa., Dec. 3 .- A strike has een ordered at the plant of the Pittsburg Steel Hoop Company, Glassport, by the Amalgamated Association. About seven hundred men will not return to work in the morning. The company is charged with

violating the wage agreement.

The 300 employees of the Canonsburg
Sheet and Tin Mill Company have been pany being charged with employing non-

BITUMINOUS MINERS PAY.

onvention Delegates Instructed to Demand Higher Wages-Deadlock Probable. INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 3 .- The local lodge of the United Mine Workers in the bituminous fields have been selecting their delegates to the convention which will meet here this month, and in nearly every case the delegates selected have been in structed to demand an increased schedule of wages for 1904. The majority of the lowzes ask for an increase of 10 cents a ton pick and machine mined coal and a corresponding increase for day men, but in some cases the delegates have been in-structed to demand a straight increase

of 20 per cent., or practically 20 cents a The Indiana operators have been forced to reduce the price of coal recently to en-courage consumption and they have given notice that they will ask that there be a substantial reduction in the scale as compared with that now in force. It therefore appears that the differences between the mine owners and the miners will be radica when the joint conference for fixing a scale is held, and some of the more determined of the owners regard a failure to agree upon a scale as more than probable.

WORK FOR SHEET STEEL MEN 3,000 in the Sharon Region to Go Back

-Scale Difficulties Adjusted. PITTSBURG, Jan. 3.-President T. J Shaffer of the Amalgamated Association announced to-day that nearly 3,000 idle sheet steel workers would return to work by the middle of next week, owing to the resumption of many mills. The revised scale goes into effect on Monday morning. Word was received at the national head-quarters to-day that the Sharon scale has been adjusted.

peen adjusted. Several weeks ago the Sharon Steel Hoop Company, an independent concern, re-quested a readjustment of the agreement, waiting the decision of the association The plant was closed. Assistant President John Pierce returned from New Haven he accomplished an amicable settle ment of a labor dispute.

All Coal Mines to Start Up To-day.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Jan. 3 .- All the anthracite collieries which have been idle since the day before Christmas will resume work to-morrow and the first anthracite mined in the new year will be taken out Operators expect that there will be steady work for several weeks, owing to the de-mand for the domestic sizes. The Red Ash Coal Company, after a strike of six months, will endeavor to resume work to-morrow morning with any men who

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PALLAS AT LABOR'S POWWOW

New Park Board President Congratulated Even by the C. F. U. Socialists. The labor president of the Park Board. John J. Pallas, walking delegate of the Pattern Makers' Union, attended yesterday's meeting of the Central Federated Union, and nearly all the delegates, includ-ing the Socialists, shook hands with him and congratulated him. He had a talk with some of the delegates in reference to labor matters which his successor will have to matters which his successor will have to take up, as he cannot now be an active member of the C. F. U., though he can remain a member of his own union.

He has been chairman of the C. F. U. Rapid Transit committee since it was formed, and it was said yesterday that he might be asked to remain on the committee

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Pallas said after the meeting that he did not intend to give up his labor affiliations. BUILDING STOPS IN PATERSON. Contractors in the Master Builders' Union

until the subway is completed as an

Pay Off Their Hands. PATERSON, N. J., Jan. 3.-By refusing to arbitrate their differences with Contractor John W. Ferguson the Building Trades Council has provoked a lockout of all union men in the city. All the contractors be-longing to the Master Builders' Association paid off yesterday masons, carpenters, plumbers, gasfitters, iron workers, electricians, plasterers and lathers. Twelve hunred men are affected.

The building trades had an arbitration

clause in their articles of agreement with the Master Builders' Association, but they refused to abide by this, when trouble arose with the Metal Lathers' Union and John V. Ferguson.
The action of the Master Builders' Association in paying off all help yesterday means that all building operations in the

LABOR LEADER FINED. Former Commissioner of Illinois Pleads Guilty to Cutting Trolley Wires. GALESBURG, Ill., Jan. 3.-W. R. Boyer, former member of the State Labor Com-mission, pleaded guilty in the Circuit Court yesterday to the charge of cutting trolley wires in the recent strike on the Peo-ple's Traction Company's line and was fined \$100. He is still held on the charge of embezzlement preferred by the Interna-tional Broommakers Union, of which he

city have ceased.

was once secretary and treasurer. AmericanSyndicate After Mexican Breweries AUSTIN Tex., Jan. 3 .- According to advices received here to-day another effort is being made by American capitalists to acquire the several breweries in Mexico. with the view of controlling the beer prodwith the view of controlling the beer product of that country. It is said that the Anheuser-Busch brewing interests of St. Louis are back of the project. F. W. Brown, representing the syndicate, has obtained the structure of the browney at San Julis Partesi. an option on the brewery at San Luis Potosi and is negotiating for the breweries at Teluca and Monterey.

MARRIED.

POOR-HARTSHORNE .- On Saturday, Jan. 2, 1904, by the Rev. E. M. Stires, D. D., Helen, daughter of the late Sidney Genin Hartshome. to Horace Franklin Poor.

DIED

BABBITT .- Suddenly, at Laredo, Tex., on Dec. 31, 1903, Robert O. Babbitt of Jersey City. Relatives and friends of the family are invice to attend the funeral services on Tuesday evening, Jan. 5, 1994, at 8 o'clock; at his late residence, 55 Kensington av., Jersey City Heights, Morristown, N. J., papers pleas copy. FISHER.—At his residence, Whitehall, Whitestone

av., Flushing, N. Y., on Dec. 31, 1903, Clark Fisher, late Chief Engineer United States Navy. Funeral services will be held at his late residence on Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock. The in-terment will take place in Mercer Cemeters. Trenton, N.J., at 4 o'clock on Monday afternoo! O'CONNOR.—On Jan. 1, 1904, of pneumonia, Thomas D. O'Connor, son of Thomas H. and Sarah D. O'Connor, in the 45th year of his age Funeral from St. Patrick's Cathedral, Monday Jan. 4, at 10 A. M. Kindiy omit flowers. PRINCE -At Irvington-on-Hudson, Saturday, Jan

2, 1904, Gertrude Cornell, widow of Dr. Chris topher Prince, and daughter of the late Henry Surdam Ditmas, in her 82d year. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral services, to be held at her late residence on Tuesday, Jan. 5, at 2:30 P. M. Carriages will meet the 1:10 train from Grand Central

the late James and Ausstasia Roon. Funeral from her late residence, 74 Perry st. on Wednesday, Jan. 6, at 9:30 A. M. sharp: thence to St. Joseph's Church, 6th av. and Washington place, where a solemn requiend mass will be offered for the repose of her soul. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited SCHENCK.—On Friday, Jan. 1, 1904, Umnia, dauge ter of the late Peter H. Schenek. Funeral services will be held on Monday morning.

SQUIERS.—Suddenly, at Havana, Cuba, Dgc 31, 1903, William G. Fargo Squiers, eldest son of Herbert G. and the late Helen Lacy Fargo Souters, in the 21st year of his age. Notice of funeral hereafter. STITL-Suddenly, at 45 West 39th st., New York

at 10 o'clock.

Jan. 4, at her late residence, 34 West 28th st

city, the Rev. William C. Stitt, D. D., secretary American Seamen's Friend Society Notice of funeral later. WAGER.—At the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alexander T. Goodwin, Larelmont Manor, N. Y. on Saturday, Jan. 2, 1904, Mary E., daughter of the late Judge Nathan Williams and widow of the Hon. David Wager of Utlea, N. V., in her

Puneral services in Utica on Tuesday, Jan. 5

CEMETERIES.

The Great Pinelawn Cemetery: water system Irrigation. 25 Broad st., N. T.